Adopted Rejected

COMMITTEE REPORT

YES: 9

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on <u>Local Government</u>, to which was referred <u>House Bill 1081</u>, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill be amended as follows:

- Page 3, delete lines 5 through 30, begin a new paragraph and insert:
- 2 "SECTION 3. IC 36-8-11-27 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
- 3 AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
- 4 1, 2002]: Sec. 27. (a) A fire protection district shall pay for the care
- of a full time, paid firefighter who suffers:
- 6 (1) an injury; or
- 7 (2) contracts an illness;
- 8 during the performance of the firefighter's duties.
- 9 **(b)** The fire protection district shall pay for the following expenses incurred by a firefighter described in subsection (a):
- 11 **(1) Medical and surgical care.**
- 12 (2) Medicines and laboratory, curative, and palliative agents
- 13 and means.

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1	(3) X-ray, diagnostic, and therapeutic service, including
2	service provided during the recovery period.
3	(4) Hospital and special nursing care if the physician or
4	surgeon in charge considers it necessary for proper recovery
5	(c) Expenditures required by subsection (a) shall be paid from
6	the fund used by the fire protection district for payment of the
7	costs attributable to providing fire protection services in the fire
8	protection district.
9	(d) A fire protection district that has paid for the care of a
.0	firefighter under subsection (a) has a cause of action for
.1	reimbursement of the amount paid under subsection (a) against
2	any third party against whom the firefighter has a cause of action
.3	for:
4	(1) an injury sustained because of; or
.5	(2) an illness caused by;
6	the third party. The fire protection district's cause of action under
7	this subsection is in addition to, and not instead of, the cause of
8	action of the firefighter against the third party.".
9	Page 3, line 33, after "care of a" insert "full time, paid".
20	Page 4, line 6, delete "the general fund of".
21	Page 4, line 6, delete "township." and insert "township firefighting
22	fund established by section 4 of this chapter.".
23	Page 4, line 16, after "care of a" insert "full time, paid".
24	Page 4, line 31, delete "general".
25	Page 4, line 31, delete "of" and insert "used by".
26	Page 4, line 31, delete "unit." and insert "unit for payment of the

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costs attributable to providing fire protection services in the

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2	provider unit.".
3	Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.
	(Reference is to HB 1081 as introduced.)
and when s	so amended that said bill do pass.
	Representative Stevenson

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